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GDOT Recognized For Employee Commute Initiatives

The Georgia Department of Transportation is among a select group of employers recognized for reducing congestion and improving air quality by providing its employees with commuting and tele-working options.

Tedra Cheatham, executive director of the Clean Air Campaign, presented a plaque to the Georgia DOT staff for reaching the status of Platinum Partner during the State Transportation Board meeting.

“I am proud of my colleagues,” Georgia DOT Commissioner Keith Golden commented. “In everything they do - even going to and from work - they play vital roles in helping to make our roads less crowded, our air cleaner and our workplace more sustainable.”

To qualify as a Platinum Partner, at least 20 percent of all employee trips to an employer’s worksite must involve alternatives to single-occupancy vehicle trips, and companies or organizations must actively educate employees about commute options.

The Clean Air Campaign has designated Georgia DOT a Platinum Partner in recognition of 34 percent of the Department’s employee use an alternative to driving alone. Nearly 250 Georgia DOT workers



(L to R) Michael Williams, Tom Tomaka, Kelly Johnson, Keith Golden and Tedra Cheatham pose for a group picture after Georgia DOT was presented with a plaque for becoming Clean Air Campaign Platinum Partners.

carpooled, vanpooled, took transit, biked or walked to work on a regular basis in 2011. Those efforts eliminated some 62,000 vehicle trips and 1.5-million vehicle miles.

“Earning recognition as a Platinum Partner puts Georgia DOT in good company with other organizations committed to improving quality of life in Georgia,” said Cheatham. “The Department is making a difference on the roads and in the air we all breathe.”

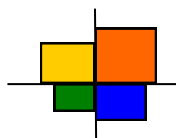
Several Board committees met in advance of the full Board Meeting. Meeting highlights are below:

Administrative: Please click [here](#) to view a copy of the minutes for the Administrative Committee meeting.

Finance: Please click [here](#) to view a copy of the minutes for the Finance Committee meeting.

Intermodal: Please click [here](#) to view a copy of the minutes for the Intermodal Committee meeting.

Legislative: Please click [here](#) to view a copy of the minutes for the Legislative Committee meeting.



Did You Know?

STATE FUND COLLECTIONS

Estimated motor fuel collection, fiscal year to date, is \$660,577,199.24 and is 1.16% under budget. This represents an increase of 7.98% over last year's collections of \$611,783,797.91 for the same time frame

TOTAL GDOT EMPLOYMENT FIGURE

The total employment figure for the month of February is 4496.

Next Board Meeting: Atlanta, Georgia – April 19th